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CALENDAR OF ACTIVITIES

Feb 12, 2021 Registration due for Statewide Leadership Training Conference - See Article Inside

Feb 18, 2021 Virtual Statewide OHCE Leadership Training Conference, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Zoom from home.

Feb 25, 2021 “Oklahoma History: Native Americans, Then and Now” Leader Lesson – Brenda Hill, Cleveland County FCS Educator, 9:30 a.m. This lesson will be held at the Extension Center and live on Zoom. Please call the Extension office to register to attend in person. The Zoom link is below to watch on your computer at home.

You are invited to a Zoom meeting. When: Feb 25, 2021 09:30 AM Central Time (US and Canada) Register in advance for this meeting:

https://dasnr.zoom.us/join/joinMeeting/tJEgdu2rrDsrGde_gz9kB0deCGhrcl-SwhQ0

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Feb 25, 2021 County Business Meeting 15 minutes following leader lesson. If there is no business to be voted on from the January 28th Executive Board Meeting, the business meeting will be cancelled. An email will be sent out if the meeting is cancelled.

Thought for The Day: Positive thinking will let you do everything better than negative thinking will. -- Zig Ziglar

DEADLINE FOR Mar 2021

NEWSLETTER

Feb 18, 2021

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EDUCATOR'S COLUMN

WE NEED LEADERS!

We are starting 2021 without a county president or vice-president for our county organization. We are also needing committee chairs in the following categories: Resource Management, Family Issues, History, and Membership. Even though we haven't been holding many events due to COVID-19, I am hopeful that there are OHCE members who would be willing to take on these roles. If you are interested, but hesitant due to lack of experience, there will be a statewide **Leadership Development Training Conference February 18th** via Zoom. **Virtual workshops will be held for county/group officers, and county/ group committee chairs.** This is the perfect opportunity for current committee chairs/officers who are unsure of their leadership responsibilities as well. For more information see the article inside.



2020-2021 *Memorial Service*

Jan Beattie

Our annual Memorial Service to honor our deceased members will be held during our annual *Awards and Achievement Luncheon* in April 29, 2021. To date, I have received notification of the deaths of twelve:

Laura Robinson from 3Es

Ray Ridlen Oklahoma County Extension Horticulturist

Judith Irwin from Genealogy Group.

Grace Otto from NW Seekers/Council Grove

Sonja Frazier Wilson from Learn and Serve and Modern Homemakers

Shirley Kitchens from Las Amigas/Will Rogers

Mike Miller from Genealogy Group

Betty Geis from Genealogy Group

Dorothy Driver from Las Amigas/Will Rogers and past county president passed away on September 22, 2020 at the age of 102.

Betty Kill from Cardinal Group

Sharon Fore from Genealogy Group *and*

Andre Head from Genealogy Group

If you have any photographs, special memories, or anecdotes of any of the deceased, kindly let me know. *I am particularly in need of photos and information for Betty Kill.*

If your group has lost a member of which we are not aware, please let me know so they can be remembered during the service. I can be contacted by email at jankb80@sbcglobal.net or by phone (405) 513-4014. Thank you.

GENEALOGY GROUP

By Jan Beattie

Genealogy Group does plan to meet in-person and via Zoom on Feb. 17th. Our speaker will be group member Andrea Moon who will present a program called The Wonders of DNA where she talks about how DNA testing allowed her to identify her previously unknown biological family.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT TRAINING

By Zoom

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH

9:00am-12:00pm

The state OHCE Executive Board will be hosting a virtual training for county/group officers and committee chairs, by Zoom. This training is usually held during the SE District meeting, but is being offered as a separate event this year. **Registration deadline is February 12th. Use the following link to register:**

https://okstateches.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3ZQXDHCg5fUeph3

Below is a schedule for the day:

9:00 – Welcome/Virtual Scavenger Hunt

9:30 – Brian Whitacre, Oklahoma Rural Broadband Expansion Council

10:00 – Officer Breakout Sessions

11:00 – Committee Chair Breakout Sessions

11:45 – Closing remarks.

Please see the attached session descriptions.

Leadership Training Conference

By Zoom

February 18, 2021

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

10:00 Officer Training

Presidents, Vice-Presidents, Parliamentarians – Sandy Pogue and Javonna Earsom

Discussion of duties and the importance of using parliamentary procedure, as well as retention of members during this time of the pandemic. There will also be a time for questions by attendees.

Secretary – Pat Chapman

Record What? Other than Minutes, what do I, as Secretary, need to record or have in my records? Questions are welcome.

Treasurer – Shelia Burnett

Will discuss treasurers' responsibility for collecting and handling of the funds for OHCE. Procedures and time for these important tasks will be presented.

Historian/Reporter – Shem Hamil

Learn about the duties of Historians and Reporters and some basic tips and tricks to keep your history safe and organized. Learn about on-line archiving using social media. It's a great way to archive and keep members engaged during this time.

11:00 Committee Chair Workshops

Awards & Reports/Membership – Kathy Fentress and Linda Swindler

Awards & Reports - Maximize Your Report

Whether you are a pro or new at writing reports, having the most up-to-date information gives you an edge. Therefore, we will be exploring criteria and easy fixes for common mistakes. Then, Kathy will answer questions previously mailed to her by educators and members. She will answer the most often asked questions during the workshop, but will email back to the sender answers to questions she doesn't have the opportunity to answer during the workshop. Join in. There is something everyone can take away from this workshop.

Membership – How do we keep our membership up during the COVID crises?

Using Facebook to keep your club in the public eye.

Cultural Enrichment/Family Issues – Linda Wallis/Tammy Elliott

Cultural Enrichment – 1. Evaluate by discussion how clubs view the committees, i.e., do they use them to identify projects or do they even pay any attention to them except to do the obligatory paperwork. 2. Read and discuss the goals for Cultural Enrichment Committee. 3. Identify topics that might be interesting for a project (interest inventory). The hope is that some ideas can be identified that are unique and may appeal to the community.

Family Issues – Family Issues, we all have them. Let's figure out how to make them benefits and not liabilities. Take events that are already going on in your world and turn them into Family Issues projects.

Healthy Living/State Project: Hunger in Oklahoma - Marie Jones

Will explore potential collaborative efforts while thinking outside the box. A discussion of hunger programs, brainstorming and discussing what is happening in hunger prevention.

Leadership Development/Resource Management – Dee Porter/Margaret Barbour

Leadership Development – In the face of COVID-19, the use of leadership is essential to ensure the success of OHCE. Leadership is the capacity to translate vision into reality. OHCE’s responsibility is to develop a vision for the organization. We need to effectively communicate priorities to our members and inspire them to commit to the goals. Leadership does not depend on one’s title. Leaders can emerge at any level if we motivate our members toward a common goal. Think of yourself as a pebble in the pond, and that the work has a ripple effect across OHCE. Help lead OHCE forward!

Resource Management – Will go over the state goals for Resource Management, talk about various projects that the counties and local groups have been working on and also any ideas for leader lessons.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE UPDATE

BY Jan Bohannon

The goal of the Social Committee is "to promote a spirit of friendship, fellowship, and unity among the members of various OHCE Groups in Oklahoma County".

In the past, the work of the Social Committee has revolved around providing snacks, meals, and special luncheons. COVID, has certainly challenged those efforts.

To get around this challenge, the Social Committee wants to connect with you through our monthly newsletters. This month, we are offering a Word Search puzzle for your enjoyment.

We hope you enjoy this! Be sure to check next month for the answers!

(The members of the Social Committee are Virginia Meeks, Valerie DeBoer and Jan Bohannon. If you would like to be a part of this committee, or have suggestions, please contact either of these ladies.)

The Social Committee’s “30/30 Challenge”

Darn it! Since COVID, our social lives just aren’t the same!

But, now more than ever, we need one another. We need to know we are making a positive difference in the lives of others and keeping our minds and hands busy at the same time. So, what can a girl or guy do?

Well, the 30/30 Challenge just might be for you. All you do is round up 30 items in 30 days and donate them to a local thrift store or donation center. Many of our closets, garages, etc, store items that we really don’t need or use anymore. Those extra tupperware lids, dishes, clothes, etc, can add up very quickly! If you aren’t able to drop your donations off at a donation center, surely a friend, neighbor, or relative could pick them up from your porch. The employees at thrift stores and donation centers, depend on our donations, thereby, providing jobs to others. And, who knows perhaps there’s someone out there needing those items you no longer use or need!

Save Personal Items for Veterans Don't Forget!

Last January, representatives from each OHCE group met and decided to donate personal items to the VA patients on the 4th of July instead of donating stockings at Christmas. This was a suggestion from Melissa Overfield of the VA, who said the veterans receive very little on this important day. Please remember to be saving the following items for the month of February:

- Game Books
- Pens
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste

State Capitals Word Scramble 1

All of the scrambled words below are names of state capitals. Can you put the letters in the right order to spell the 25 different state capital names correctly? Careful! Some of the names are made up of two words.

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ANSNGIL	
UABOGERNTO	
EPRIER	
ATSNIU	
VOEDR	
OXPIEHN	
ESNIOSDME	
CMUIOBLA	
OELRENTMIP	
HRDRATFO	
ALNAATT	
SLAEM	
SALPANUIT	
KIMARCBS	
ASONCJK	
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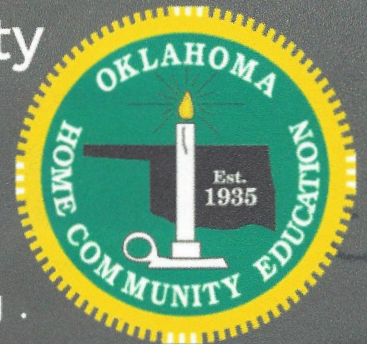
SILENT
AUCTION

FRIDAY, MARCH 12
12:00PM-6:00PM

Auction

Silent Auction will be hosted on the Carter County Oklahoma Home & Community Education Facebook page.

Proceeds go to the 2022 Southeast District OHCE meeting.



Silent Auction:

<https://www.facebook.com/Carter-County-Oklahoma-Home-Community-Education-404385540075474>